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FIREMAN KILLED IN A COLLISION

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Market Gardeners Want Duty on American Vegetables Increased—Man Frozen to Death.

Hamilton, Dec. 19.—Fireman Theodore Smith, married, residing at 20 Stanley avenue, was killed, and foreman Robert Wilson and fireman Robert Atkinson and Robert Cameron were badly injured as the result of a collision between a hose wagon and a street car at the corner of King and Bay streets shortly before 7 o'clock, this morning. The hose wagon was responding to an alarm of fire at Kerr & Weston's foundry in the west end of the city. None of the passengers in the street car were injured.

Disqualified.
Montreal, Dec. 19.—Over 20,000 Montrealers have been disqualified from voting in the civic election held here on February on account of failure to pay water and business taxes.

A Denial.
Sainte-Marie, Ont., Dec. 19.—The report that Sir Christopher Farness would establish a great artificial island plant at a cost of \$250,000 to build vessels for lake and ocean trade is knocked on the head by Mr. F. H. Clergue, who says that plans for such an establishment have been made.

Winnipeg School Debentures.
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 18.—The offer of the Canadian Bank of Commerce to purchase \$50,000 of Winnipeg school debentures at par was accepted by the school board tonight.

Narrow Escape.
Galt, Ont., Dec. 19.—Thomas McGivern, clerk of the Division court and real estate agent, was found in his office in an unconscious condition from escaping gas yesterday morning. He will recover.

Stole Registered Letters.
Waterford, Ont., Dec. 19.—A young man named Jackson, aged 18, a mail carrier on the Boston and Montreal route, was today sentenced to three years in Kingston penitentiary for stealing registered letters from the mails. He confessed that he had taken letters and sent some of the money.

Want Duty Increase.
Ottawa, Dec. 19.—A deputation of Ontario and Quebec market gardeners are here to urge upon the minister of finance the necessity of raising the duty on American vegetables, claiming that Canadian grown vegetables are suffering on account of the Canadian market being flooded with American produce which comes through at a low rate of duty. Gardeners claim that if American duty on Canadian products was as low as Canadian duty on American produce there would be no reason to complain because Canadian growers could easily dispose of surplus stock in American territory.

Old Man Found Dead.
Kingston, Ont., Dec. 19.—Charles Lyon, 84 years old, was found dead this morning a short distance from his home. He had been missing since Saturday. He had been driven to within half a mile of his home by a neighbor on Saturday, and it is thought in the darkness he lost his way, lay down, and died from exposure to extreme cold weather.

Died From Burns.
Rapid City, Man., Dec. 19.—As a result of a burning accident last night the three-year-old daughter of Mr. C. McKinnon died this morning. She was playing around the fire when a spark ignited her clothing and she was burned so badly that she died at an early hour tonight.

Frozen to Death.
Seven Brides, Ont., Dec. 19.—William Miller, an employee of the Orillia Electric Light Company, was found frozen to death near here yesterday. He is supposed to have lost his way in the lumber piles.

May Come to Canada.
Toronto, Dec. 19.—Mr. H. Ebers, of Adelaide, South Australia, is in the city seeking information regarding the newer portions of Canada with a view to satisfying the wishes of some Australian farmers, who are dissatisfied with their lot in that colony, and have expressed the desire to come to Canada.

Interesting Ceremony.
An event in the history of McMaster university was the opening to-day and dedication of the new chapel and library which have been erected in connection with the university. The new building, has cost approximately about \$33,000.

Charged With Fraud.
The police this afternoon arrested Dr. Ezra Glasco and Mrs. Lovely on a charge of fraud. The pair formed a species of society for absent trustful persons, and using difficulties after the Christian Scientist idea and called it "Radical Business Success Circle." Members were to pay \$1 monthly and were guaranteed business success.

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AIDED NATIVES IN FIELDS.
Gen. Chaffee Tells of Difficulty in Dealing With the Filipinos.

Washington, Dec. 19.—"History affords no parallel of a whole people thus practically turning war traitors, and in the genius of no other people was ever found such master powers of dissimulation; but it is needless to say that no powerful state was ever erected or ever can be erected on such immoral and uncivilized foundations."

This statement is made by Gen. Chaffee, military governor of the Philippines in a review of one of a number of court-martials in the islands, the records of which have been received at the war department.

The case which brought forth the above comment was one wherein seven natives were tried jointly on a charge of murder. The accused were soldiers in the insurgent army, and their crime, abandoned even the show of open opposition, and took up their residence at Taytay, Manila, a place protected by a United States garrison. Then, following the proclaimed policy of the insurgent chiefs, they proceeded to organize a secret society, and when authorization had been given to establish civil government, the band came forward under the leadership of a resident padre to be elected municipal officers of Taytay.

They then made a remarkable attempt to serve two masters. In all lawful matters they were the smallest barrier to the United States, while at the same time they labored secretly and deliberately in the interests of the insurgents. This dual form of government, says Gen. Chaffee, existed everywhere, in strongly garrisoned cities like Manila, as well as in the remotest parts of the islands. "One undeniable truth," says General Chaffee, "stands out in this case, as in hundreds of like cases of murder, that the Filipinos are not more than the first rudimentary conception of his individual rights and duties as a man, and no one knows this as well as the chiefs who use him for their nefarious purposes."

Six of the seven natives were sentenced to be hanged, and three of them to imprisonment to hard labor for life. The seventh native, a regularly ordained priest, asked for, and was granted a separate trial. At his trial, De Posey, who was held to be the chief of the Taytay murders, took advantage of the opportunity afforded by his position as a priest, by contending that while the participants in the wholesale murders in Taytay would be hanged, he, as a priest, should be spared, and he was accordingly sentenced to life imprisonment.

Gen. Chaffee pronounced this defence of no value, saying that "the confession does not lay upon any priest or layman obligation of suppressing knowledge of crimes being committed by third parties. He is bound to report them to the authorities, and if he fails to do so, he is guilty of complicity in the crime."

EXPORT FALLING OFF.
Decline in Foreign Demand for Copper Cause of Reduction in Price.

New York, Dec. 19.—Amalgamated Copper claimed and held interest over all the list in the street to-day, and went through a rapid series of bewildering fluctuations.

After the erratic market had closed, the directors of Amalgamated Copper voted a dividend of one cent per share, and issued a statement placing the blame for the declines upon the shrinkage in foreign consumption. In this connection it was stated that Amalgamated had been forced to bear the largest loss in the effort to maintain prices. The statement placed the falling off in copper exports at a dividend of \$5,000, and said that during the last month the United States Metals Company had sold over 100,000,000 pounds for future delivery.

Transactions became very moderate. Efforts of shorts to cover were assisted by what appeared to be a manipulative movement. Trading became exciting in the last hour and blocks of from 1,000 to 3,000 shares changed hands frequently on a rapid rise to 64 1/2.

A point being made between sales, but the buying soon overcame the declining tendency, and prices rose again to 67 1/2. There was another slump just before the close, and the last sale was 65 1/2.

CECIL RHODES.
Heat Stroke Prevents Him Continuing Journey to Khartoum.

London, Dec. 19.—A dispatch to the Central News from Cairo says: "Cecil Rhodes, managing director of the British South Africa Company, has suffered from a heat stroke, and has abandoned his trip to Khartoum, and is hurrying to Cairo."

IT IS NOT A CRIME.
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 19.—A Fargo, N. D., special to the "Daily News" says: "It is not a crime against the United States to pass a confederate bill on an unsuspecting Indian, according to a decision rendered by Judge Anderson of the United States court, in what is known as the Barrett case."

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE.
Bill Introduced Granting Pension of \$5,000 a Year to Mrs. McKinley.

Washington, Dec. 19.—At 1 p.m. today the senate adjourned until January 6th, 1902.

Representative Hoeburn, of Iowa, chairman of the House committee on commerce, to-day made the report of the committee in favor of the Nicaragua canal bill. The report says in part: "The purpose of this bill is to concentrate authority and responsibility for the construction of this great work in the hands of the President. We have tried to concentrate authority and responsibility rather than to disperse it among many persons."

Senator Hanna to-day introduced a bill granting a pension of \$5,000 a year to Mrs. McKinley, widow of the late President.

A bill was introduced in the senate by Mr. Penrose reviving the grade of vice-admiral of the navy and promoting Admirals Sampson and Schley and Capt. Clark to the rank of vice-admiral.

The House has agreed to consider the Nicaragua canal bill on Tuesday, January 7th, and thereafter till disposed of, the order not, however, to interfere with revenue or appropriation bills.

INCREASED CAPITAL.
Albany, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The state board of railway commissioners to-day authorized the St. Lawrence & Adirondack Railway Company to increase its capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$1,800,000. Subsequently the company filed a certificate with the state board of railway commissioners.

FATAL FALL DOWN STAIRS.
Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Christopher Colgan, a Lackawanna engineer, was instantly killed this morning by falling down a short flight of stairs. He had just hung up his shoes when he fell down the stairs and broke his neck.

LORD STRATHCONA.
Montreal, Dec. 19.—A cablegram to Mr. E. S. Clouston, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, this morning says Lord Strathcona will soon be able to go up and that he has been able to get up the last few days.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.
Harry de Windt and his companions who will attempt to reach New York by travelling overland started from Paris yesterday.

Arthur Stopford Francis, a London lawyer, who until recently had a number of wealthy and aristocratic clients, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging with misappropriation of £5,000 of trust funds belonging to the Countess of Orkney.

One hundred and forty railroad men, present at the St. Louis conference for the discussion of the departmental work now being held at St. Louis.

Secretary Hay and Senator Zaidewer, the Salvadoran minister at Washington, have signed the protocol providing for the submission to arbitration of the claims of the Salvador Commercial Company for damages sustained through the alleged appropriation by the government of Henry Stutz, chief justice of the Dominion of Canada, Hon. Don M. Dickinson, of Detroit, Mich., and David Castro, chief justice of Salvador. The arbitrators will meet in Washington, April.

COAL IN NATAL.
Engineering says that Natal is possessed of very extensive deposits of coal, for which the years to come are likely to see a considerably enhanced demand.

Estimates of the workable areas of coal under present conditions can only include the districts from Glencoe to Newcastle, or about 500 square miles. From that to the eastward, where it is made for the area of coal affected by igneous action, for areas from which the coal has been denuded, and for areas of inferior coal, which would leave about 150 square miles of workable and salable coal under present conditions. With an allowance of 25 per cent for waste, including abandoned pillars and unsalable dross, there is left a total of about 764,000,000 tons of available coal.

The report of the mining commissioner for 1900, recently published, shows that the output in that year was 241,330 tons, as compared with 328,033 tons for 1899. Seeing that possession of the principal collieries was not obtained until May after the Boer invasion, and that some time was occupied with repairing the damage done to the mines by the Boers, the decrease of 87,303 tons is easily accounted for. The average value of the output was 20s. per ton; but this was due to quite abnormal circumstances.



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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CENTRAL WARD.
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A. P. LUTON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.
Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the solicitation of a large number of electors, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for alderman for Central Ward at the approaching municipal election, and beg respectfully to solicit your votes and influence. Yours respectfully,
THOS. I. WORTHINGTON.
December 16th, 1901.

and it compares with \$6.60 per ton before the outbreak of the war. The exports to the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony in the twelve months were 4,084 tons, as compared with 7,738 tons in 1899, an increase of 2,226 tons; while the coal bunkered was 118,740 tons, as compared with 156,207 tons in 1899. The amount of foreign coal imported during last year was 31,552 tons.

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MEN AND FERRIES.

The Colonist strongly advocated the case of the Terminal Railway By-Law when it was before the people. We do not think we would be putting the case too strongly if we were to say it went into raptures over it and was completely carried away by its enthusiasm the day after the result of the voting was announced. We could quote articles from our contemporary in support of these assertions, but the facts are too well known to require any such proof. It is also said that the Premier, who directs the policy of our contemporary, was himself in favor of the scheme until he made the discovery that it was a "tin-pot" ferry. Both the paper and its chief proprietor have changed their minds, apparently. For very shame's sake, we suppose, the Colonist is somewhat timid about announcing its change of position. It approaches the subject in a roundabout way. Yet it is not easy to put the Colonist out of countenance. For advocating the very scheme which it was so enthusiastic over the Colonist would now have the people reject Mr. Bodwell as their representative. Yet it remains to be demonstrated that the citizens did not do a good stroke of business when they voted for the by-law. The immediate effects were beneficial and there is good ground for the belief that the ultimate results will be quite as healthy. A consultation with the C. P. R. led to a change of attitude on the part of the Premier and the announcement that a ferry connection would be maintained between Victoria and the Mainland by the E. & N. Railway Company and the C. P. R. without a cent of cost to the ratepayers. This was probably designed to kill the other ferry scheme, but it merely confirmed the people in their determination to have competition. Since the Colonist is determined to go below the surface for motives, perhaps it will explain why the E. & N. company not so long ago asked a very large sum as a bonus for a service which it afterwards gave for nothing more than a prospect of competition? That ferry connection has been steadily maintained ever since, although it has in many respects proved far from satisfactory and has more than once been dubbed a "tin-pot" ferry. Would there have been such a connection to-day if the people of Victoria had not announced their determination to do all that lay in their power to free themselves from monopoly? The absorption of the C. P. R. Company by the C. P. R. confirmed the impression that connection with the continent by an independent route was necessary to the welfare of Victoria. The relations between the Premier and the great Canadian railway company are most intimate. No exception can be taken to them entering into any arrangements they deem advisable for the advancement of their interests. But Victorians note the fact that the schemes of the railway company and the coal magnate do not include, within their scope the enhancement of the welfare of their city. The interests of both are centered elsewhere and all their energies and all the influences they can bring to bear are being expended for the building up of other places. We cannot complain of these things. Almost every man in the community is engaged in work of the same nature; but it is our duty as citizens of Victoria to do all in our power to protect ourselves and see that those who have the power do not injure us while attempting to further their purposes. There are men who place the welfare of the cities in which their lots have been cast above every other consideration. At the same time, there are others. The deeper motives are probed into the more apparent will this become.

MONROE DOCTRINE AND CANADA

The newspapers in Eastern Canada and the United States have lately been discussing the Monroe Doctrine and its relationship to Canada. With remarkable magnanimity and generosity some American journalists have pointed out that the whole of North and South America is included within the scope of that benevolent policy. As Canada is part of the continent, we are protected

and guaranteed against attack from all quarters of the world, by the United States. If Great Britain, for instance, were at war with Russia, the forces of that nation, land or sea, would not be at liberty to descend upon this country except in defiance of the decrees of the late President Monroe. That should fill us with a double scheme of security. With the two greatest nations the world has ever seen to protect us, all our paths in the future should be those of peace and peace.

But such conditions may lead to complications. The same journals that have pointed out the paternal regard Uncle Sam has for us have, after further consideration, arrived at the conclusion that while we are thus under the suzerainty of our benevolent neighbors we must not by our actions provoke attack. If Great Britain should become involved in war it will be our duty to stand idly by and leave her to fight her battles alone no matter how many nations may rise up against her. It is said the obligation of one side involves an obvious duty on the other. Canada has no option in this matter. Her duty is simply to acquiesce. If the question be taken up by anyone in authority we fancy Canada will make her voice heard. We are inclined to think Canadians are not the sort of people to allow their destinies to be disposed of in such a summary fashion.

The statesmen of Great Britain have now an example of the meshes in which their alacrity to accept of every suggestion that emanates from the United States may involve them. The Monroe Doctrine was hailed in certain circles with acclamation as the very acme of political wisdom. It was even proved that it had its origin in the councils of the Empire. Observe what follows. Carrying the doctrine to its logical conclusion, Mr. Bourke Cockran has called upon the President of the United States to prevent Canada from sending more men to take part in the South African war. Discussing the subject the Toronto Star rather warmly remarks:

"The Monroe Doctrine cannot be accepted by Great Britain or by Canada. If John Bull were in Jack Canuck's place he would not accept it. If Uncle Sam were in Jack Canuck's place he would not accept it. The doctrine would lay over us an authority based on neither law nor reason, but wholly on force. However that doctrine might at first be interpreted, it would logically become what Bourke Cockran says it now is. A London paper has warned Great Britain that if the principles of Monroeism are recognized it means the loss of Canada to the Empire, and the warning is wisely given. Canadians are not content to build up here a puppet state. We hope to have a country as great and rich as the neighboring republic, and if Great Britain should sign away our right to do so by subscribing to the Monroe Doctrine, it would unquestionably do much to change the route by which we hope to reach the goal—but we would move towards the goal."

COMMONS VACANCIES.

The full list of vacancies in the Dominion House of Commons numbers fourteen. They are as follows:
St. James division, Montreal, rendered vacant by the appointment of O. Desmarais to a judgeship. Liberal majority at the last election, 1,641.
Beauce, rendered vacant by the appointment of Joseph Gauthier to the Senate. Liberal majority, 1,257.
L'Islet, rendered vacant by the appointment of A. M. Dechenne to the Senate. Liberal majority, 100.
Terrebonne or Maisonneuve, both represented at present by Mayor Prefontaine, of Montreal. He had a majority of 267 in Terrebonne and 1,816 in Maisonneuve.
Laval rendered vacant by the appointment of T. Fortin to a judgeship. Liberal majority, 319.
York, N. B., rendered vacant by the unseating of A. Gibson, Jr., Liberal. Liberal majority, 76.
West Queens, P. E. I., rendered vacant by the appointment of Sir Louis Davies to the Supreme Court. Liberal majority, 735.
West York, Ont., rendered vacant by the death of the Hon. N. Clarke Wallace. Conservative majority, 820.
West Hastings, rendered vacant by the resignation of Henry Corby. Conservative majority, 842.
West Durham, rendered vacant by the unseating of C. J. Thornton. Conservative majority, 40.
Kingston, rendered vacant by the appointment of B. M. Britton to a judgeship. Liberal majority, 192.
Lisgar, rendered vacant by the unseating of R. L. Richardson, who had a majority last November of 249.
Victoria, rendered vacant by the unseating of Col. Prior.
Of these fourteen vacancies, one is in Manitoba, five in Ontario, five in Quebec, one in New Brunswick, one in Nova Scotia and one in British Columbia. Six were formerly represented by members of the opposition and eight by supporters of the government.
There are also three vacancies in the Senate; those caused by the death of Senator Almon, of Halifax; Senator Villeneuve, of Montreal, and Senator Allen, of Toronto. As these three Senators were all Conservatives, the filling of the places will add materially to the Liberal forces in the Senate, which are now pretty nearly on an equality, in voting strength, with the followers of Sir Mackenzie Bowell.

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And a large assortment of the best EMBROIDERED AND BRUSHES, all of which are particularly suited for Xmas Presents.

We shall be pleased to see you call and examine the goods and note the quality and price.

C. E. REDFERN

43 GOVERNMENT STREET.

TURKEYS AND GEESE FOR XMAS.

Leave your order for same; we are having some nice ones on Monday, 23rd; call early and inspect.

MOWAT & WALLACE, GROCERS

CORNER YATES AND DOUGLAS STS.

Conclusion of the Vogel College Serial Advertisement.

One more point we should like to make in favor of our institution is the facilities which we have, and the efforts which we put forth in teaching typewriting. We have said before that shorthand is merely a fast way of copying from dictation. What the business men will pay the typewriter for is not this, but for the typewritten letters, and consequently it is the typewriting which earns the salary. There are hundreds of typists who do not know shorthand, but who earn good salaries because they have common sense, combined with good memories, and are able to type a letter without taking it down verbatim, and on typewriting we put a great deal of emphasis. We teach touch typing, that is doing the work without looking at the machine, and this method is from 15 to 20 words a minute faster than the old style of using the eyes, as the typewriter need not to lift her eyes from her notes.
We have a large number of machines, of all makes, and no old, out-of-date typewriters, and only those which a graduate will be likely to find in an office. Our graduates are able to handle any typewriter that we do not permit our students to work for experience if we can prevent it, which is unfortunately the case of those of private teachers, who, unable to teach business methods, have to sum the graduate over to a business man for further training, and for this the business man expects his pay, in small or no wages for service rendered. The effect of this is to reduce wages, and it has had this effect in law offices, who pay the highest salaries. These gentlemen, however, forget that by reducing salaries they very naturally drive clever and educated young people out of that branch of business, that means that the real good material will withdraw from business life, and seek other channels, which would be a very serious thing for a growing community like Victoria.
It has always been our aim to train thoroughly competent help. We have attracted the best material to our institute, and so to it that they are all well remunerated, and we are proud and pleased to say that our graduates obtain good salaries as beginners, and out of some six hundred young people trained not one, after securing employment, stayed long, if by chance the position was lost, without it. In short all our graduates are successful in their after life.

A dispatch from St. Louis says that at the second session of the tetracycline commission, organized to fix the responsibility for thirteen deaths following the use of city anti-toxin, Martin Schmidt, assistant city bacteriologist, testified that Dr. Amund Ravold, city bacteriologist, had directed him, on October 2nd, to prepare for distribution the serum drawn from the horse "Jim," which had been shot the day before because it had tetanus. "Dr. Ravold told me," said Schmidt, "that the serum could be safely used, as the horse had not been affected with tetanus on September 23rd, when the drawing was made. I knew that the serum was poisonous and unfit for use on human beings, but I felt that I could not question Dr. Ravold's order." The witness repeated his recent assertion before the coroner that the poisoned serum was sent out to physicians without having been first treated on guinea pigs, because none were available.

A writer in the Colonist endeavors to prove that the people of Victoria made a mistake when they voted a subsidy to the railway ferry scheme. Again we are obliged to point out that a good deal depends upon the point of view. As a result of that vote we already have a ferry connection with the Mainland which costs us not a cent. The same scheme was originally estimated by one whose position ought to make him at authority as worth a considerable sum. This anonymous writer further says that the ferry scheme project will be valueless unless the V. & E. road be built. We understand that in its revised policy the government looks with favor upon the V. & E., so there is no fear of the citizens' faith being without its reward.

In to-day's Times Mr. H. M. Grahame announces that he is a candidate for a seat at the council board. Mr. Grahame appeals to the ratepayers of North Ward as a business man in the strictest sense of the term.

If the pretensions of the United States continue to advance for a while at the present rate, Canadians will soon be compelled to ask their neighbors for permission to exist.

ATTENTION!!!

Your attention is invited by

DEAVILLE, SONS & CO.

To Their Extensive Stock of GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS

Home Made Bread, Cakes, Pies, Eccles Cakes, etc.
Millside Ave. and First Street.
PHONE 324.

SPENCER'S

Christmas News for Saturday--Useful Presents

Fur Department

Stone Marten Boas\$22.50
Mink Boas\$12.50 to \$17.50
Alaska Sable Boas\$5.50 to \$30.00
Brown Fox Set; Muff and Boa\$100.00
Raccoon Boas\$5.00
Grey Fox Boas\$6.00
Collarettes\$4.50 to \$50.00
Imitation Fur Boas\$1.50 to \$4.50
Child's Fur Sets\$1.50 to \$7.50 set

Kid Gloves

At 75c.—Tan and Grey Gloves (clasp). The gloves we are selling at 75c. are guaranteed.
At \$1.00.—The "Doris." A heavy Kid Glove, pique stitched, in Black, Tan, Beaver, Red, Brown and White.
The "Renault," a finer Kid (clasp), all colors.
At \$1.50.—The "Dorothy." Dressed Kid, light weight, neat, fancy stitching. Heavier quality Kid, pique stitching. Light Suede Gloves, with neat fancy stitching. Heavy Suede Gloves, pique stitching.
The quality in hose in all colors in the different makes.

Mantle Department

We make special mention of a few garments in this department for Xmas wear:
Jackets, semi-fitting, ¾ length, high collar and reverses, over seams stitched; fawn, box cloth—Price\$13.50
A Semi-fitting ½ Length Reverses Collar and Cuffs, stitched over panne velvet, edged with satin straps, fawn and dark grey—Price\$10.00
The New York Back, in a fawn ¾ jacket, high collar, stitched velvet neck band, turn back cuffs—Price\$17.50
Hoptonette Coats in fawns, greens and greys, ¾ and full lengths—Prices from\$10.00 to \$35.00
(These coats are rainproof and also make a stylish street garment.)
Fur-lined Capes, reds, blues, blacks, with Thibet collar and front—Price\$25.00
Opera Capes\$10 to \$250
Many-day Skirts, homespun, unlined, 10 rows of stitching—Price\$2.50
An Extra Heavy Rain-day Skirt, greys and black, stitched bands of neat silk, outside pocket, 10 rows stitching on bottom—Price\$5

Men's Fancy Slippers

Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers, worked85c. to \$1.50
Men's Tan and Black Leather Slippers\$1.50
Men's Pullman Slippers, black and tan\$2 and \$3 per pair

Handkerchiefs

We were never better prepared to serve you in this department.
Ladies' Lawn Handkerchiefs5c. to 10c.
Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs12½c., 18c. and 20c.
Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs20c. to 50c. each
Silk Handkerchiefs25c. to 50c.

Quilts

Fine Silk Covered Down Quilts\$12.50 to \$35 each

Special Sale of Flannel and Cashmere Waists--Saturday

108 Ladies' Flannel and Cashmere Waists, lined; colors, Navy, Red, Fawn and Brown; trimmed, new taffeta collar, and stitched taffeta straps; these blouses came to hand yesterday, and are a little late; regular price is \$3.00, and they will be sold Saturday for \$1.75 each.

SEE WINDOWS.

Fine Furnishings for Men

The latest Tie in the market came to hand yesterday, the "Artistic." Ask to see them; 75c. each.
New Puff Ties, 50c.

These Birds
"Speak For Themselves."
A long felt want from the rural districts that they can fill a vacancy in town.



Our Christmas Dinner
Splendid Specimens of This Prince of Birds.
Fat, Tender TURKEYS
Well Fed and Well Bred.

While the holiday festivities are occupying your attention you cannot afford to lose sight of the fact that our store leads in fresh fruits, table raisins, celery, superior canned goods, wines and liquors, and all other delicacies and side issues so essential to a

PERFECT CHRISTMAS DINNER.
The greatest variety of the freshest and best Groceries at lowest prices may always be had at the store of
THE SAUNDERS GROCERY CO., LIMITED.
PHONE 28.
39 AND 41 JOHNSON STREET.

New Xmas Goods JUST OPENED

Pope Stationery Co.,
TEL. 271, 119 GOVERNMENT ST.

The Cuthbert, Browne Co., Ltd.

FINAL AUCTION

Books, Typewriter, ETC.
To-Morrow, Thursday, At 2 p.m.

Illustrated Books

The sale will include all the Story Books, Works of Fiction, etc., issued at yesterday's sale, and a fine new lot of

Including Hogarth's Works, Histories of England and Ireland, and a lot of other works too numerous to mention. Auction of Furniture on an early date. Auction arranged or furnished houses bought for cash at a moment's notice.
HERBERT CUTHBERT, Auctioneer.
Telephone 985.

The patriotism of the British people who live under the Southern Cross is very ardent. New Zealand is preparing its eighth contingent for service in South Africa, and the number of volunteers is greater than ever. The times are good down there, too, so the eagerness to enlist cannot be ascribed to lack of employment. There is no great national philanthropist down there to put a damper on patriotism.

A leather-fool!
Restores humidity, keeps the fibre soft, tough and elastic.
Adds months of wear, and "shines" quickly, brilliantly.
SLATER SHOE POLISH
"Goodyear Welled"

J. Fullerton and J. H. Baker,
SOLE LOCAL AGENTS.

Come Right to Us For

Xmas Presents

Regina Music Boxes

In all sizes.

Musical Novelties

Of all kinds for the children.

Banjos, Guitars, Violins, Mandolins

In fact everything you require. Call and judge for yourselves.

Xmas Garlands for decorating are the prettiest things on the market, 15 cents each.

Ping Pong sets. Golf supplies, etc.

M.W. Waitt & Co.

44 GOVERNMENT STREET.

Xmas Gifts AT FIT-REFORM

The festive season is almost here—something more tangible than greetings—would be acceptable to those who are near and dear to us—what say you?

"Fit-Reform Smoking Jackets"
Handsomely made, large variety in Cloth, Silk, Brocade and fancy patterns—"Call" pleasure to show them.
Umbrellas for Ladies and Gentlemen
A choice assortment Neckwear, Fancy Vests, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Etc., specially imported for Xmas trade.

Fit-Reform Wardrobe

73 Government St., Victoria.

FURNITURE.

All kinds of new and second-hand FURNITURE, AIR-TIGHT HEATERS, COOK STOVES, etc., at lowest prices. A large assortment of Indian Curios at half price.

J. W. GOSS.

185 DOUGLAS ST.

DON'T FORGET TO CALL ON A. EDWARDS.

At Ya-va Street
NEXT DOOR TO THE POODLE DOG, for YOUR TOYS AND XMAS PRESENTS
Which we are selling at bargain prices.



DELIGHTFUL XMAS PRESENTS
Are numerous in our big stock of
Perfumes, Toilet Articles, Mir-
rors, Fancy Leather and Cellu-
loid Goods, Atomizers, Etc.

Many choice things from which
the modern Santa Claus can make a satisfac-
tory selection. These goods will make the
recipient's heart glad, and they are not
expensive either.

BOWES.
HE DISPENSES PRESCRIPTIONS,
98 Government Street, Near Yates Street.
OPEN ALL THE TIME.

BRIDGE COMPLETED

Demonstration in John Bros. window
that the plans for Point-Ellice bridge, as
championed by the "Solid Six," were all
that was necessary for an expert bridge
builder to work from. Width and strength
ample for all demands on the bridge as
shown by the continual passage over of
special V. V. & E. trains, the Victoria Fire
department apparatus, and vehicles of
other descriptions, calculated to thoroughly
test the bridge. The City Council invited
the attendance of the community to receive
congratulations from the interested spec-
tators. Plenty of room for all to see. When
the street became crowded there was a
vacant lot opposite.

Johns Bros.

Wholesale and Retail Grocers and Butchers,
220 DOUGLAS STREET.

XMAS PERFUMES

Now is the time to select your presents,
while our stock is large and choice. French,
American and Canadian makes.

HALL & CO.

DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
Clarence Block, Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

—Toy Books from 5c each to \$3, at
Victoria Book & Stationery Co., Ltd.

—Don't miss getting a share in the
Exploration Co. before the Blakeley
sale.

—Perrin's Kid Gloves at The White
House. \$1.00 pair, guaranteed.

—Shooting match at L. O. Demers's,
Oakdale Park, Colwood, Saturday,
21st December, for geese, etc.

—The Victoria City band have an
active committee at work preparing for
the annual dinner and dance given
last year at the Bank Exchange.

—For all the requisites for a good old-
fashioned plum pudding and mince
pies that your mother used to make
call on Fell & Co.

—Smart folks ("smart" means far-
sighted, thrifty, economical), are doing a
lot of buying. There is one place of all
others in town where the people buy.
Weller Bros.

—The Saanich Agricultural Society
intend holding a ball on New Year's
Eve in their hall at Saanich. Music
will be furnished by the Selkirk
orchestra of this city.

—The favorite route from this city to
Nanaimo is now by the Victoria &
Sidney railway and steamer. The
train leaves every Monday and Thurs-
day at 7 a.m. Single fare \$1.50. Re-
turn, good for ten days, \$2.50.

—Really Elegant.—Our cut glass is per-
fectly cut and properly polished. It
gives an elegant tone to a table, and is
a pleasure to those who want that which
is rich and useful. Not all high priced,
we have many pieces as low as \$3.
Challoner & Mitchell.

—Walter Thompson, of Saanich, who
brought a number of Saanich cattle
stations from the old country a short
time ago, has sent to England for two
Clydesdales. His son, Richard Thomp-
son, left about a week ago to select the
animals and make the purchases.

—On the application to the court of
Gordon Hunter, K. C., yesterday, an
injunction was granted preventing the V.
V. & E. from prosecuting construction
work. Action was taken on the in-
junction, as set out in a special dispatch in
another column, at Ottawa today.

—The new Christmas neckwear for
ladies has arrived. The White House.

—A concert and tableaux is to be
given on the evening of Friday, the
21st, in the grand hall of the Saanich
Hotel, in aid of the Episcopal church
in Saanich. A special train service will
be provided for the convenience of those
wishing to attend the concert. Pro-
grammes will be issued in a few days.

—There was a jolly gathering of
Yorkshiremen at the Victoria Hotel last
night, when the quarterly business
meeting was held for the purpose of se-
lecting the date for the annual banquet
to be held on the 24th of January next,
and a good committee was appointed to
make all preliminary arrangements.
This done, the meeting adjourned to
enjoyment, and readings, recitations
and songs filled in the remainder of
the evening. Among those who contrib-
uted to the enjoyment of the gathering
were: Col. Prior, Fred. Richardson, H.
Thompson, Percy Richardson, H. Cuth-
bert, J. T. Elliot and J. Binn.

—Yesterday afternoon a sale of work
was held in the school room of the
Christ Church Cathedral under the aus-
pices of the Girls' Auxiliary. There
was a good attendance, and the differ-
ent articles commanded a ready sale.
The room was crowded in the evening,
when a concert and minstrel perfor-
mance was given. The following was
the programme: Violin solo, Master Rich-
ard; drill, by High school girls; recitation,
Miss Cook; song, Rev. W. Baugh; Al-
len; piano solo, Miss Margery Wollas-
ton; reading, Mr. Rickaby. The members
of the choir presented the minstrel show,
which proved most successful. To Mr.
Cockrell is due the success of the min-
strel portion of the entertainment.

—Henry Steinberg, an employee of the
Truck & Dray Co., and Flora, second
daughter of the late Donald McGill-
lurray, of Kincardine, Ont., were united
in marriage by Rev. Dr. Campbell last
evening. The ceremony took place at
the residence of the bride's mother,
View street, the house being beautifully
decorated for the occasion. A large bell
composed of tastefully arranged flowers
hung from the ceiling, and it was while
standing under this that the Rev. Dr.
Campbell performed the ceremony.
Angus McKinnon supported the groom,
while Miss Sarah McGillivray, the
youngest sister of the bride, acted as
bridesmaid. The newly married couple
will take up their residence at 251
Superior street.

—Supt. Brodie, of the Washington
Experimental station of Puyallup, who
has been delivering addresses to the
Farmers' Institutes on the Mainland, is
to speak to-night in the Temperance
hall, Cedar Hill. The value of different
foods will be treated of by Mr. Brodie
in his address. This is a subject upon
which he can offer expert opinion, and
there will doubtless be a large audience
to greet him this evening.

—There has been a number of trans-
fers of property in the Saanich district
during the past fall, and in fact there
has been more activity in the transfer of
real estate than has been the case for
years past. Among the sales effected
are that of the hundred acre farm of
Geo. Sangster to Birch, of England, and
of Mrs. Mills's 250 acre farm to J.
Dwyer, of Victoria. Mr. Sangster has
rented the Birch farm, which he will
work next summer.

\$100,000.00

To Loan on First Mortgage

In amounts from \$20.00 up, on improved

Real Estate.

SWINERTON & ODDY.

Place Your Orders For The
**Xmas Turkeys,
Geese or Chickens**
WITH
ERSKINE, WALL & CO.
Who have also a full assortment of finest wines for Xmas cheer.
Telephone 88. The Leading Grocers.

Fell & Co. has something new. Tom
Smith khaki Bon Bons.

—Clam chowder and oyster cocktails
at the Senate.

—Christmas trees for sale at Bridge
Fruit Store, Government street.

—Bridge, the new card game, at Vic-
toria Book & Stationery Co., Ltd.

—The new Christmas neckwear for
ladies has arrived at The White House.

—Cloth-bound books reduced in price
1/2, 3/4 and 1. Johnston, Douglas street.

—A pretty silk book mark with your
initials or first name, 25 cents. Physical
Culture Office, 90 Douglas street.

—"Gifts." Words can but suggest the
lines of goods we can show; but we can
verify what we say by producing the
goods we advertise. Weller Bros.

—The annual meeting of the Victoria
Sealers' Association, called for to-day
to elect officers and consider plans for
the ensuing year, began in the board of
trade rooms at 3 o'clock.

—For Tom Smith Bon Bons go to Fell
& Co.

—A lady brought to the Times office
this afternoon a branch of ripened rasp-
berries picked in a local garden. This
is only one of many such cases recently
brought to the attention of the Times.

—Justin Gilbert, the manager of the
Blakeley expedition, says there is no
truth in any of the reports from San
Francisco about an expedition having
sailed from there, or about a company or-
ganized there to raise coffee on the Is-
land. There are only a few acres there
fit for cultivation.

—A shelter for the protection from
rain of those waiting for the car at the
corner of Craigflower and Esquimalt
roads is in course of erection. The
building is the same in design as those
which have been put up elsewhere along
the B. C. Electric Railway Company's
lines of track, and will be greatly ap-
preciated by all who have occasion to
use it.

—A meeting was held yesterday after-
noon at the office of Messrs. Cornwall
& Rogers in the interests of the Sewer-
age By-Laws. There was a large at-
tendance, and a general disposition
manifested to conduct a vigorous cam-
paign on behalf of the measure. Sub-
committees were appointed to canvass
various districts into which the city was
divided.

—The case referred to yesterday in
which local politician is charged with
assaulting a real estate agent in the
latter's office came up in the police
court this morning, and was adjourned
until Monday afternoon. A summons
has been issued to a citizen for an in-
fringement of the Street By-Law in al-
lowing growth of shrubbery to encroach
on the sidewalk.

—This evening in the Centennial Me-
thodist church the annual entertainment
of the Sabbath school of that church
will be held. A cantata, entitled "Carols
of Yule Tide," will be rendered, after
which an adjournment will be made to
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City, have been paying a short visit to
Victoria and were guests of Rev. Dr.
Bishop Orth. The future of Catholic high-
er education for Victoria was discussed.

Personal.

—D. S. Petheringham, of the Osborne Bay
smelter, arrived in Seattle yesterday
from the site of the new establishment, and
says the ground has been broken and a founda-
tion will be laid immediately, says the
Post-Intelligencer. "Though the capacity
of the smelter will be large, it will be made
Mr. Petheringham, we will build with a
view to increasing it should our future
contracts justify this course. The mines of
the Northwest and Alaska are yet unde-
veloped only on a small scale, yet we are
confident that the output will be large a
few years hence. Montana mining men have
the greatest faith in properties of British
Columbia and Washington, and have shown
their interest by large investments." Mr.
Petheringham is at present staying at the
Dominion hotel.

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She Wants a Pair of Gloves

You may depend on that—for no matter how many gloves a
lady has, she is always glad to get more.

Make your choice here from the finest selection of English
and French gloves on the coast.

We are the only house in Victoria carrying the Cadet
sizes, which enables the short-thick or the long-slender hand
to be fitted to perfection.

Dent's and Fowne's English Gloves, \$1.00 to \$1.50.
French Gloves, by the best makers, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

Our Special Wash Kid Gloves in white and tan, \$1.75.
Gloves bought for presentation will be exchanged or fitted
after Christmas.

Geo. R. Jackson

SANTA CLAUS Will hold a Special Reception at
10 o'clock to-morrow morning
in his Grotto at The Westside.
OPEN LATE EVERY NIGHT
THE WESTSIDE
VICTORIA'S FAVORITE STORE. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1901.

XMAS CLOTHING



A SPLENDID LOT OF MANNISH
SUITS FOR BOYS, SPECIALLY MADE
UP FOR CHRISTMAS WANTS.

BOYS' SWELL NORFOLK SUITS,
strongly made of good Tweed or
Navy Serge, sizes 22 to 28, from
\$1.00 to \$5.50

BOYS' ALL WOOL SERGE REEFER
OVERCOATS, well finished, with
Italian Cloth Linings, sizes 22 to 28,
SPECIAL. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00

GIVEN AWAY.—A Boy's 2-Bladed Pocket Knife, given away with every suit or
overcoat purchased, to-day, and until Xmas Eve.

KID GLOVE NEWS

ONE BOTTLE OF GOOD PERFUME GIVEN AWAY WITH EVERY PAIR OF
KID GLOVES SOLD TO-DAY AND UNTIL CHRISTMAS EVE.

Ladies' Kid Gloves

An ever welcome Christmas Gift always
appreciated by the recipient.

LADIES' FRENCH SUEDE GLOVES,
in Tan, Beaver, Grey or Black, SPE-
CIAL, per pair. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00

LADIES' FINE KID GLOVES, in Tan,
Black or White, SPECIAL, per pair.
\$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00

"POWERS" PATENT GLASS OR
SUEDE GLOVES, for ladies, in all
the new shades, SPECIAL, per pair.
\$1.25, \$1.50

Men's Kid Gloves

A suitable and always appropriate gift
for a man is a pair of gloves.

MEN'S UNDESSES MOCHA
GLOVES, in all sizes, SPECIAL.
per pair. \$1.00, \$1.25

MEN'S DOORKIN DRIVING GLOVES,
in Tan only. SPECIAL, per pair.
\$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00

MEN'S SILK LINED BUCKSKIN
SPECIAL, per pair. \$1.25, \$1.50

GENUINE "REINDEER" GLOVES,
for Men. SPECIAL, per pair. \$2.00

MEN'S LINED GLOVES, SPECIAL,
per pair. \$1.25, \$1.50

A Belated Shipment of Lace Novelties

A case of Lace Goods detained in transit arrived this morning. The contents are
Lace Handkerchiefs, Lace Collars, Lace Belieres, Lace Jackets, Lace Scarfs, and other
Lace Novelties. They come DIRECT FROM BRUSSELS, and will go forward at
remarkably low prices. CALL AND SEE THEM.

XMAS NOVELTIES

BEST AND MOST VARIED ASSORTMENT IN THE CITY AND LOWEST PRICED.

THE HUTCHESON CO., LTD., VICTORIA

DINNER SETS
FOR CHRISTMAS

A fine assortment at low prices.
We have a select stock of Fine French Limoges, Haviland
and Carlsbad China ware.

Call and See Our 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c Bargain Tables

THE B. C. FURNITURE CO.,
J. SEHL, MANAGER.

**Christmas Lettering
On Leather
Goods**

Your friend will appreciate that the name
is embossed thereon.

25 Cents

A line does it. Avoid disappoint-
ment by not delaying until the last
moment.

**Victoria Printing
and Pub. Co.,**

Printers, Bookbinders
and Rulers. Cor. Yates
and Government Streets.

**MEN
LIKE
GIFTS**

Of wearables; they want some-
thing good, though it needn't be
expensive. Here, then, is the
stock to do the buying from.
Nothing is over-priced.

New Neckwear

A big shipment of delayed Xmas
neckwear arrived to-day. Owing
to its late arrival we have mark-
ed it a third less than usual.

25c. Silk Bows

silk lining, splendid patterns;
50c. silk four-in-hand ties, made
up scarfs, flowing end Derbies,
hundreds of new patterns, very
choice silks, and all at 50 cents.

50c. Initial Hdkfs.

22 inches square, 1 1/2 inch border.

W. G. Cameron,

VICTORIA'S CHEAPEST CASH
CLOTHIER,
55 JOHNSON STREET.

Xmas Presents

CARVING SETS,
SILVER PLATED WARE,
BOYS' TOOL CHESTS,
ETC., ETC.,

Watson & McGregor

PHONE 745. 90 JOHNSON ST.

**Victoria Transfer
Co., Ltd.**

Incorporated by Special Act of Parliament,
19, 21, 23 BROUGHTON STREET, FOOT
OF BROAD.

LIVERY

Finest horses, buggies, phaetons and carts.

HACKS

Latent and up-to-date hacks, all fitted
with RUBBER TIED WHEELS.

HEAVY TEAMING

Having greatly increased our stock of
heavy teams, trucks and wagons, we are
prepared to contract for hauling BRICKS,
ROCK, GRAVEL, SAND, LUMBER, or
other material, at very low rates.

Telephone call, 129.

NOTICE.

No person is authorized to receive any
debts on my account without my written
order.

(Signed) J. D. ORDANO,
Cowichan.

COME ONE, COME ALL

Now is the time to examine our stock of
fine Perfumes and Toilet Articles.
Choice Chocolates in fancy packages, just
arrived; all sizes and prices. Come and let
us show them to you.

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A COMING KING'S DEBUT.

Alfonso, the Thirteenth, of Spain to Soon Assume Power.

A series of visits to the chief European courts and countries is shortly to be paid by the young King of Spain. It will form at once his debut to the world and the finishing touch, so to speak, to his royal education.

The boy King has now entered his sixteenth year, for it was the 17th of May, 1880, when Sengor Sagasta announced to an anxious nation that the widow of their dead King had borne a son.

Late in the previous November Alfonso XIII. had passed away in the Palace of the Prado, near the capital, martyr to the sense of duty that had kept him so long in Madrid, the dry, windy city that sends all consumptives to their graves. He was only twenty-eight years old, and had reigned some eleven years, going direct from Sandhurst to the throne of Spain. His tact, savor, fair, and devotion to his people, shown in the time of the cholera visitation and the floods in Murcia, had done much to keep the turbulent elements in check, and the country, worn out by the long struggles of rival factions, was glad to be at rest.

He died, and Spain passed into the hands of the Queen widow, and her daughter Mercedes, who, Alfonso XIII. was born, into the hands of the Queen alone. Maria Christina, now no longer called the Austrian, has accomplished the greater part of her task. In May next she will lay down the regency, and her only son will assume the duties and responsibilities of kingship.

A King of Much Promise.

Alfonso XIII. is at first sight a delicate lad—thin, pale, and of nervous appearance. Some say he has inherited the constitutional infirmity of his father, others that his appearance is something he shares in common with all the men of the House of Hapsburg. During the manoeuvres held at Carabanchel in May the young King remained seven hours in the saddle without exhibiting any symptoms of fatigue, and his personal staff noticed that even a prolonged ride did nothing to weaken his voice. When the day's work was over he was as animated as he was at the beginning. This is excellent news for Spain as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. It is almost inevitable that the young King should have the seeds of consumption in his blood, and Madrid is notoriously the worst city in Europe for people with a tendency to lung trouble. He is already handicapped by his responsibilities. An English lad as young as Alfonso XIII. would not be carrying half the load of knowledge borne by Alfonso XIII. He speaks English, French and German as well as Spanish, has had a careful mathematical training, is a student of history, and is devoted to military matters. For a boy his knowledge of the elements of military science is quite uncommon.

A very robust boy, free from all tendency to illness, might carry this load; the slight figure of the young King suggests the need for less strenuous effort. When asked what he takes as food and becomes at least the nominal head of the state, how will he endure the additional burden? Apart from the sentiment of sympathy with a lad who is called upon to undertake a task so onerous as that of Spanish rule, the question appeals to the heart of the king and his subjects. The health of the king and the consequent tranquility of the state are matters of the first importance to the country.

A strong, healthy King can give the land the period of repose that will enable it to develop its internal resources, find occupation for its growing population outside the corrupt world of officialdom, amend its educational defects, outgrow Carlistism, and become once more a power to be reckoned with. The reverse of the picture is not pleasing. An invalid director of a state, whose various faculties are like an unruly horse that must be ridden on the back of a strong man, and if anything happened to him the Princess of Asturias would become Queen of Spain, and her husband, Carlos de Bourbon, Prince of Asturias, would become King Consort. Against such a development the old unquiet elements in Spain would rise again, the possibility of it is said to have brought Senator Sagasta into temporary opposition with the Queen Regent when the question of the marriage was first mooted.

His Political Attitude.

When Alfonso XIII. comes to his own he will be entirely dependent, for some time at least, upon the advice and guidance of the people who have the power in their hands to-day. They say in Madrid that government will be largely in the hands of the Queen mother, Senator Sagasta, and the Duke of Tetuan, descendant of the Red O'Donnell of Ulster. The last named statesman is an adherent to a Conservative regime that accepts neither the absolutism of the Carlist programme nor the somewhat watered conservatism of Senator Sagasta; he refuses all office, and will not reconcile himself to any compromise. He is an enlightened statesman none the less, and will place his best efforts at the disposal of the Queen Regent, who has always succeeded in attracting to her service the most sustaining elements in the country. With statesmen who desire no more than the progress of Spain, and a mother whose life has been marked by most rigid devotion to duty, the young King will start upon his work well equipped. It will be well for the country if his advisers succeed in impressing upon him the necessity of refraining from experiments of every sort. Spain's political recovery has been due to her wise handling by statesmen who have been rather unjustly deemed opportunists.

If the young King becomes a reactionary he will arouse the Radicals and strengthen the Republicans; if he shows too much zeal for reform he will weaken the allegiance of the Conservatives and strengthen the Carlists. They say in Madrid that his best policy lies in a continuation of the existing order of things and devotion to such works as the improvement of the financial situation, the substitution of some less direct method of taxation of the Octroi duties, the maintenance of army efficiency, the creation of a small navy on the most modern lines, and the granting of such concessions to democracy as the Spanish official mind can accept without offence. It is not a very heroic programme, nor is it one that can appeal very strongly to a young, enthusiastic, ambitious ruler; but Spain is a very tired country just now.

she has passed through years of internal convulsion.

Character and Temperament.

In view of the widespread interest in Alfonso XIII., and the way in which Spanish and British Mediterranean politics seem destined to unite in the near future, I was at pains to discover what I could about the young King's character and temperament during a recent visit to Spain. I sought for details in several cities from his friends, and received some information without being able to obtain permission to publish it. The sum of what I heard presents Alfonso XIII. in the light of a high-spirited, proud boy, who has been trained to a proper appreciation of the difficulties of his position, and is inclined to minimize them because he retains something of the old belief in the divine right of kings. Certain attempts have been made to reconcile some of the disconcerted elements of Spain to the Alphonist party, and the King has been of necessity a prominent party in the movements. They have not been successful, but the young ruler carried himself bravely through some unpleasant experiences, and recalled the bearing of his father, who had similar difficulties to face. Down to the present Spain has not seen much of the King, and Madrid has not been favorably disposed to him because of his absence from the bullring, tamely being an institution to which Queen Christina will make no concessions. He has been to the Plaza de Toros now, and his subjects are better pleased, but it is unlikely that he will develop into a patron of the national amusement.

Some people in Madrid declare that Alfonso XIII. is an Ultramontanist, and that the grip of the Latin church will tighten on Spain so soon as he is firmly established. They point to the Caserta marriage and to the absence of anti-clerical legislation, to the very friendly relations between the Vatican and the Spanish court, and to the known sympathy of the Queen-mother for the Church of Rome. This alleged tendency to a considerable factor in strengthening the Republican party, and I was assured in Madrid that on matters he deemed his own the King would yield to no party, however exigent. If the army is friendly, Alfonso can go far, and the powerful generals are already delighted with the way in which their royal master devoted himself to the study of military affairs.—London Daily Mail.

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NICKNAMES IN LONDON.

Are Applied to Persons in All Ranks of Life.

One cannot fail to be impressed of late with the fact that nicknames are becoming very much more common than formerly, says a London dispatch. This holds true in every rank of life, from the very highest downward—in fact, few popular persons escape them.

The King himself among his own particular set, is generally spoken of as "the master," the Duke of Cambridge, on account of his connection with the Royal parks, is known as "George the Ranger," while the Princess Charles of Denmark is always called "Harry" by her family. As is well known, the Duke of Westminster is known as "Ben d'Ore," for reasons which have frequently been mentioned. The Duke of Athol has been dubbed "All Scotland," the Duke of Marlborough's nickname is "Sonny," the Duke of Portland's "Jumbo," the Duke of Manchester is known everywhere as "Linnie," which is an abbreviation of his second title, Lord Lincoln. The late Duke of Wellington was known as "Spurgeon," probably on account of his immense size.

Prince Soltykoff, a well known racing man, is generally known at Newmarket as "Soly." Prince Victor Duboué is known as "Tully." Lord Londonderry will probably be known always as "C." The nickname given to him when he was Lord Castlereagh, Lord Cholmondeley, hereditary great chamberlain of England, is familiarly known as "Rock," this, too, because of his second title of Rock Savage.

Lord Conestable is known as "Covey," his nephew, Lord Lurgan, as "Bully." Lord Cowley is known as "Toby," Lord Ralston as "Piggy Palk," and Lord Spencer as "The Red Earl," on account of his tawny beard. Lord Warwick is affectionately called "Brookie" and Lord Yarmouth "the Blotter," a name his father, Lord Hertford, earned when he was in the foot guards.

Major Lawson and Major Greville of the Chester and Scots Guards are known as "Bubble" and "Squak," that well known sportsman, Captain Macchell, as "El Capitano." Schomberg McDonnell, brother of Lord Antrim and private secretary of Lord Salisbury, rejoices in the nickname of "Pom." Colonel Byron, formerly aide-de-camp to Lord Roberts, is known as "the strong man." George Faber, an exceedingly good-looking man, is known as "Beautiful George."

Cecil Rhodes is truly named "the Colossus." Harry Stoner one of the King's gentlemen in waiting, is so good looking that he is known as "Apollo." Captain Seymour Portesque, author of the "King's Equerry," is styled "Commodore." Lord Kitchener is briefly designated as "K. of K." Humphrey Stuart, among his most intimate friends is called "Humpty Dumpty," and "Bubba." "Dundee" Barton, K. C., is "the Boy, Alfred."

Alfred de Rothschild will always be known as "Mr. A." Lord Buchanan, who is small and always very well dressed—rather a dandy—is known as "V. A." or "the pocket Adonis." Colonel Needham, brother of Lord Kilmore, is "Dot." Mrs. Langtry's husband Hugo de Bathie, is "Sungie." Lord Charles Montagu, son of the Duchess of Devonshire, for some reason or other, is called "the snake."

Cyril Maude is known as "Squirrel," and Charles Wyndham as "the Landlord." But the number of these names in the theatrical profession is legion. Ladies, too, receive nicknames. For instance, Lady Winborne is called "Kitty" on account of her low church tendencies; Lady Fe Stuart, "Pavina," and her great friend, Mrs. H. Williams, "Florence," or "Florenza."

Mrs. George Keppel has several nicknames, perhaps the best known being "Reppelaria." Lady Howe has received the name of "the joker." Miss Bulkeley, who is such a great favorite with everybody, is "the two year old." Lady de Grey and Lady Gosford are known as "the sentinels."

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To-day teachers and pupils of the various schools of the city packed away books and scribbles, and gleefully abandoning dormitory and class-room, gave themselves up to the delights of Christmas tide. In all of the city schools programmes had been arranged in which those talented with histrionic, elocutionary and musical gifts took part, while fond parents beamed approval and satisfaction.

The abolition of the examination system has eliminated from these "closing" days a feature which formerly consumed much time, and caused distraction, and well high despair in the newspaper of fates, namely, the reading and publication of the results of the examinations. These programmes alluded to were rendered, and in some instances diplomas won, at the exhibition were conferred. At some of the schools, too, there were pleasing indications of the fraternity between teacher and scholars, by little presentations of Christmas gifts.

The members of the school board attended the various functions, one or two managing to drop into each of the wards and give official sanction to the exercises of the day. The clergy of the city and the parents of the pupils were also well represented among the visitors. With to-day's exercises the half year closes, and studies will not be resumed until the first Monday in the new year.

North Ward.
Over four hundred children in the North Ward school were given their freedom for the holidays early this afternoon. The closing exercises, which were among the most interesting held during the day, commenced promptly at 12:30 o'clock, a large number of children being in attendance. The assembly room of the school in the upper part of the building was very effectively decorated, and the boys and girls of the school were showing artistic taste that would make some Government street shop proprietors envious and furnish them many valuable pointers. In fact the whole school presented a holiday appearance, the lack of which in Principal Campbell's Miss Dowler's class, Miss Martin's room, exhibiting drawings of this more advanced pupils, exhibiting remarkable skill which would rank well with professional work of the same character. In connection with the closing exercises an interesting feature was a presentation to the janitor of the school and his wife. This was made by the teachers, and consisted of mounted umbrellas.

The programme provided for the occasion, copies of which were made out by the children for all who attended, was as follows: School song, "The Maple Leaf"; recitation, "Schoolroom Trials"; school song, "Hark! Hark!"; address, Rev. W. H. Barrington; school song, "Dear Canada to Thee"; recitation, "The Night Before Christmas"; song, "Under the Apple Tree"; address, Rev. J. H. Vickers; song, two girls; class song, "Old King Cole"; addresses by visitors, and "God Save the King."

South Park.
The closing exercises of this school took place in the assembly hall at 11 o'clock. The children were addressed by the chairman of the board, Dr. Lewis Hall, Trustee Drury and Rev. W. Leslie Clay. "Life," said Mr. Drury, "is earnest, it is not one huge game. The boy or girl, the man or woman who puts the best into every day's work is the one who gets the most out of life." He went on to speak of boys and girls, former pupils of South Park who now occupy places of usefulness, and who cherish kindly thoughts of their old school. Mr. Clay spoke, too, on the subject of "High Ideals," and was attentively listened to.

The programme was a formal one, and consisted merely of the presentation of the Provincial Exhibition diplomas to the winners, Jean Goodman Roberts, Clavilla Jane Clouston, Wilhelmina Baxter, Grace Elanor, Mrs. A. L. A. Laidlaw, Schuster, Gladys Elsie Cluck-shank, Dorcas Lillian Pearson and Maude McBeath Smith.

Yesterday morning was spent by the pupils of Division I. in the Provincial Museum, and prizes were awarded to Evelyn May, Abbey and Wilhelmina Baxter for the best essays on the subject of their visit, the presentations being made by Chairman Hall.

Two features of the day were the presentation of an umbrella to the school janitor, Mr. Collis, by the teachers of the school, and of a belt and gold and enamel buckle to the principal, by the staff.

Boys' Central.
The closing exercises of the Boys' Central school were held in Pemberton gymnasium this morning. The seating capacity of this assembly hall was taxed to the utmost by an audience who thoroughly enjoyed the excellent programme presented by the pupils. Various numbers were rendered in fine style, particularly the selections by the school, reflecting great credit on first assistant J. F. Salloway, who trained the boys.

The chair was occupied by Trustee J. G. Brown, who complimented the pupils on their excellent chorus work. In the course of his remarks he spoke strongly in favor of the introduction of music into the school curriculum under a regular instructor. He had long urged this subject, and hoped that eventually music would have its place in the public school course.

Addresses were also delivered by Mrs. Jenkins, Trustee Drury, City Superintendent F. H. Eaton, Rev. Elliott S. Rowe, Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. Mr. Bolderston.

A special prize presented by Dr. Han-

ington for geography was captured by Don Herbert, of Mr. Gillis's class, the presentation being made by Trustee Drury. In this connection the following communication from the donor of the prize to the city superintendent will be of interest:

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Mr. Gillis has certainly not erred upon the side of leniency in his marking, and so the winners seem to me to merit a much higher rating than has been awarded them.

With much regret that I am not able to award the prize personally, and to wish you all the season's compliments, believe me, very truly yours,
BERNARD B. C. HANINGTON.

A prize for neatness, awarded by Mrs. Clearhough, was won by Cecil King, of the fifth division, Miss McKenzies teacher. The prize was presented to the successful boy by Rev. Mr. Rowe.

A pleasing feature of the exercises was the presentation of a suitable token of esteem and appreciation to the principal, J. D. Gillis, from the boys of his class who wrote in the recent High School entrance examination.

The programme this morning was as follows: Song, "Maple Leaf," the school; recitation, Leonard Acton; cello solo, H. Rausch; Christmas carol, the school; recitation, Cecil Leese; violin solo, Don Herbert; accompanied by E. H. Russell; song, "Johnny Cannock," the school; Christmas carol, twenty-five selected boys; National Anthem.

Girls' Central.
At the Girls' Central school this morning only the usual class exercises were held. The afternoon sessions assembled at the usual hour, and at noon the children commenced their respite from studies, not to resume them till the Monday after New Year's day.

High School.
The High School closing exercises are in progress in Pemberton's gymnasium this afternoon. A feature of the programme is the presentation of the Governor's medal to the successful pupil in the midsummer High School entrance examination and the head of the High School.

Kingston Street.
The closing exercises of the Kingston street school were of a most interesting nature, a programme being rendered by the children. The three divisions assembled in Miss Lawson's class room at 10 o'clock. There was a very good attendance of visitors, who formed an appropriate audience. The following was the programme: Song, "Brightly Glims Sunshine"; song, "Good Morning, Merry Sunshine"; song, "The Winter Rose" (boys); song, "Here We Come A-singing"; song, "Pitts Patter"; song, "The Christmas Bells"; recitation, "Christmas at the North Pole," G. Sutton; song, "Up Yonder on the Mountain"; song, "O Sweet Robin Redbreast"; song, "Who Has the Whitest Snowflakes"; recitation, "Christmas Fairies"; physical exercise; song, "Little Stars That Twinkle"; concert recitation, "The Chimney"; third division song, "Here We Float"; recitation, "Dreamland Railroad"; song, "The Land of the Maple"; "The King's"; song, "Hark! The Bells Are Ringing Gay"; song, "We Thank Thee, Heavenly Father."

Speeches were delivered by Messrs. Baxter, Drury, Eaton and Rev. J. Sutton and Mrs. Simpson. All the addresses were of about the same tenor, congratulating the pupils on their bright appearance and on the excellent programme which had been given. They all wished both the children and teachers a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Miss Lawson said a few words. She thanked the residents of the James Bay district for the presentation to the school of an organ with the help of which, she said, the children were enabled to obtain the proficiency noticeable in their singing. She thanked them also for the interest they always took in matters pertaining to the school, always doing their best to help the teachers in their work. In conclusion she returned the compliment paid the children and teachers by those who spoke, wishing the parents a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Just before the children dispersed Mrs. Simpson rose and with a few introductory words she proposed three hearty cheers for Miss Lawson and her assistants. Teachers and pupils responded to with much enthusiasm, three rousing cheers being given by the pupils.

Spring Ridge.
At the Spring Ridge school closing exercises were held by each division in its own class-room. Each room had its own set of visitors, who, it is safe to say, spent a very enjoyable morning listening to the songs and recitations which had been prepared by the children.

The following first division programme was given by the children of the first division, Miss Russell's class: Christmas, "March Song"; class reading, extracts from Readers; song, "Jack Frost"; recitation, "Baby's Speaking"; song, "Wies, Lennan; arithmetic match; Christmas carol, "Shepherds' Watching"; recitation, "Two Little Girls"; song, "What a Wonderful World"; spelling match; carol, "What They Say"; recitation, "A Christmas Dream"; recitation, "Reverend Joseph Davidson, a boy of about seven or eight years of age, accompanied the children on his violin. The arithmetic match was won by Miss Irene McLennan, and the spelling match by Master G. McLennan. J. G. Brown delivered a brief address.

A programme, as follows was given by the children of the third and fourth divisions of the school: Good morning song; carol, Christmas song, "Oh Clap Your Hands"; finger play song; "Puss's Dinner"; "Five Little Mice"; Third division reading; Fourth division, number work; a sequence of motion songs; "How the Corn Grew"; "The Miller," making bread, making butter; Fourth division reading; Third division number work; music; gymnastics; Christmas waltz song; carols: "Happy Night," "Bethlehem Town," "Chant, Vazareth"; Christmas tree (all gifts on the tree were made by the children); their parents; address, J. G. Brown; "God Save the King."

Hillside Avenue.
The closing exercises here commenced at 10:30 o'clock, and by noon the youngsters were winding their way homeward on the tip-top of excitement and jubilation. In keeping with the time-worn custom, the school was very prettily decorated with evergreen, etc., the work of which fell to the lot of the principal, Miss Blackwell, and her staff, owing to the youthfulness of the pupils attending.

A good Little Theatre was arranged for the event as follows: Song, "The Fairies"; school; recitation, Olive Rule; song, "Robin, Robin," by school; recitation,

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The old warehouses at the rear of his store have been torn down, and have been replaced with modern brick structures, materially lowering his fire premium.
Mr. Cameron is carrying a very heavy stock of hats and boys' suits, lines in which he has always been noted for his good place to none. These are not strictly Christmas goods, but where it is designed to combine utility with the other features of a holiday gift, nothing is more popular than a tasty tie.
The display of silk handkerchiefs which this store is showing is another noticeable feature. The window dresser has employed these and other dainty goods with admirable effect in the show windows of the establishment, the background of one being light, and of the other dark. "Flair of all hues and sizes and shapes are shown, together with silver handled and horn handled umbrellas, themselves admirably adapted for remembrance to one's friends.
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The bride was Miss Adelle Louise, daughter of David B. White, of New Pines, Idaho, formerly of New York. She was given away by her father, and was a personal friend of the bride and groom.
The honeymoon will be spent in Idaho and other Eastern points, the young couple afterwards making their home in Victoria.

Rev. Dr. MacRae and Rev. G. Tanner addressed the children, and after the singing of the Canadian and British National Anthems the pupils dispersed for the Christmas holidays.
The following programme was given by the pupils of the primary grades at the Mission school, where there was a large gathering of visitors, among them being Mrs. Grant of the school board: Song, "The Bells"; recitation, by Mable Rutan; recitation, by Jode Todd; song, "The Thrush"; recitation, by Lilly Callow; song, "The Cobbler"; recitation, by Edith Ann; song, "Boy Blue"; recitation, "The Months"; song, "Carol"; recitation, by Ruby Hemmans; song, "Bright Waves"; recitation, by Violet Evans; recitation, by Jay Callow; song, "Reelin"; recitation, by Neal Callow; speech, Mrs. Grant; recitation, by Wilfred Pomroy; song, "Merry Christmas"; recitation, by Katie McGraw; "God Save the King."

All ship masters desiring to maintain their interests in Victoria should not fail to attend a meeting to be held in the Engineers' Association rooms tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, the object being to form an association in their behalf. All master mariners are invited to attend. This is a long-felt want in the city, and all ship masters should take an interesting stand in the object.

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